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## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

OFFICE OF CENTRAL REFERENCE

11 May 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director of Central Reference

SUBJECT : Status of CODIB Feasibility Study on the Preparation

of "Black and White" Lists

## 1. BACKGROUND:

The need for the lists was presented to CODIB by the ACSI representative, Dr. Samuel McKee, in May 1959. The members of the Working Group which was subsequently formed under the chairmanship of the CIA representative, each submitted names of 25X6 suggested composite list was sent to evaluation. Responses received by January 1960, 25X1C were adversely critical. A second meeting of was held in February, as a result of which the members agreed to submit 25X9 "unofficial" statements to be used by the undersigned in the preparation of a report to CODIB. Such statements were all received by 14 March and a first draft was prepared that month. To insure a coordinated approach, two meetings were subsequently held between the undersigned and Mrs. Finke, 25X9 with the result that a revised draft was produced which, it was felt, more clearly stated the inherent dangers of the project. (NOTE: Air Force participation has been minimal. They contributed only two names to the original composite list. They did not attend the second meeting, and asked only that they receive a copy of the draft report.)

25X9

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## 2. CURRENT STATUS

25X9

The draft report has undergone minor revisions. It will be typed on ditto mats and multiple copies disseminated to members by 16 May. Depending on member reactions to the draft, a final 25X1A report or a second draft will be prepared immediately for submission to CODIB or recirculation among BWG members.

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25X9

25X1A

Chairman of the Working Group report (Conclusions, dated 2 Aug. 60):

Chairman of the Working Group, summarized the conclusions and recommendations. The Committee adopted the report and the Working Group was discharged with thanks. Mr. McCue reflected State's interest in informing the Foreign Service of any collection plans for this type of information, including a copy of any outgoing requirement. He stated the Department's interest in cooperating in such collection and in monitoring the increased workload that requests for additional information might entail."

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